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FOR ACTING SECRETARY SISCO FROM CHARGE TANGUY

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: OIL BOYCOTT AGAINST NETHERLANDS

REF: STATE 122597

1. FONOFF POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN LYNDEN, WHO CALLED ME IN JUNE 11 ON ANOTHER SUBJECT SOON AFTER HIS RETURN FROM EC FONMINS MEETING IN BONN, TOLD ME THAT WITH FONMIN VAN DER STOEL'S AGREEMENT FONOFF HAD INSTRUCTED NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR IN BONN TO APPROACH AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND WITH A VIEW TO HAVING THE SECRETARY TAKE UP THE OIL BOYCOTT AGAINST THE NETHERLANDS DURING THE PRESIDENT'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. DUTCH HOPE WAS THAT AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND WOULD FIND THE OCCASION TO MENTION THIS TO THE SECRETARY DURING THE LATTER'S MEETING WITH FONMIN GENSCHER TODAY.

2. IT TURNED OUT THAT VAN LYNDEN WAS NOT AWARE THAT VAN DER STOEL HAD RAISED THE MATTER DURING HIS CONVERSATION WITH ASST SECRETARY HARTMAN IN THE HAGUE ON JUNE 5. NOR WAS HE AWARE OF INFORMATION ACTING SECRETARY SISCO HAD TELEPHONED TO AMBASSADOR VAN LYNDEN IN WASHINGTON ON RESULT OF US REPRESENTATIONS TO PRINCE FAHD. POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN LYNDEN WAS TOLD THAT RESPONSE FROM SAUDIS WAS NOT RPT NOT ENCOURAGING ALTHOUGH INCONCLUSIVE.

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3. COMMENT: THIS IS BEING REPORTED SIMPLY TO EXPLAIN WHY US IS

BEING ASKED A SECOND TIME WITHIN A WEEK TO SPEAK TO THE SAUDIS
ABOUT THE OIL BOYCOTT AGAINST THE NETHERLANDS.
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